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***** MEDIA ALERT *****

**Guest Speaker Links Violence to Animals and Violence to Humans at the
National Museum of Crime and Punishment**

WHAT: According to a survey conducted by the American Humane Association, animals were abused in 88 percent of homes where child physical abuse was present. To address this ever-present link in many homes across the country, **The National Museum of Crime & Punishment** will host Scott Giacoppo, Chief Programs Officer of the Washington Humane Society, to discuss the relationship between cruelty to animals and violence against humans. Giacoppo, an expert in humane education in the District, has received many awards and citations for his work combating illegal animal fighting and for heightening the awareness of the importance of animal cruelty investigations. In his current position as Chief Program Officer, he oversees the organization's Field Services Division.

WHO: Museum guests interested in animal welfare, child abuse, and the psychology behind these cruel actions.

WHEN: Saturday, August 1, 2009 at 3:30pm.

WHERE: 575 7th Street NW (between E and F Streets)
Washington, D.C.
Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro (Arena exit).

The museum is located on the web at www.crimemuseum.org. For ticket and facility rental information, call (202) 393-1099. For media information, call (703) 534-4600 x216.

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About the National Museum of Crime & Punishment

The NMCP's mission is to provide guests of all ages with a memorable insight into the history of crime, crime fighting and solving, and the consequences of committing a crime in America through a captivating interactive, entertaining, and educational experience. The museum is located on 7th Street NW between E and F Streets in downtown Washington, D.C. at the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro (Arena exit).